INDIAN MAGIC.

Wisest to Explain It.

science and ingenuity this word still re-

mains the only applicable epithet for

some of the achievements of Indian con-jurers. We can smile at the luminous

appearance of the beautiful face before

which as the revelation of Osiris the

old Egyptians prostrated themselves in

we-for the marvels of the magic lantern are familiar to us, the early exist-

ence of gunpowder gives an easy ex-planation of the oracle's lightning and thunder, the weird harmony of Mem-

non was merely the result of an ingenious mechanical contrivance—but shrewd travelers of later date, whose

veracity is beyond dispute, tell of much more inexplicable things than

these. Que of the best known writers

on occultism, Jacolliot, has left an account of certain things he saw during

his official sojourn in India which, as

they seem to defy explanation, may fairly be classed among things incom-prehensible. The performer was one

whom he accidentally met and who re-

quired some persuasion before he would exhibit feats which, he continually af-

firmed, were the work of other intelli-

On some sticks fixed upright in flow-

ered and gradually worked upward on

the sticks Jacolliot placed himself be-tween the flowerpots and the operator, placed the sticks in the flooring and

adopted every means he could imagine

to frustrate any trickery, but nothing be did made any difference to the move-

The more familiar feat of the seem ingly superpatural growth of flowers

was utterly collipsed by another instanc:

vouched for by the same parrator. His

own servant brought him a score or so of seeas, from which he selected and marked one. The fakir planted it in a

pot of earth, muttered some words over it and fell into a sort of trance, which lasted about 30 minutes. He then

awoke, uncovered the pot and discover

ed a sectling two or three inches high

Jacollist examined it and tound it had

sprong from the seed which he had

With a touch of a peacock's feather

the fakir depressed a balance of a com-

mon weighing muchine in daily use it

the bousebold, though in the other was

a weight of 12 stone, and with a dis tant motion of his hand be made shav

tags of wood to sink or move in water

Still more marvelous is the description

of the manner in which this veritable

eastern wizard was able to set at de-fiance the law of gravity. On this occa-

ston, when leaving the room, he paused

on the threshold, solded his arms, and,

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